

A  
PERSONALL TREATY  
WITH HIS  
M A I E S T Y.

and the two Honourable Houses,  
to be speedily holden, Who  
knowes where?

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At no place.

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VWhen? Can ye tell? 32. July.

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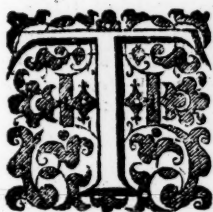
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*A Personall Treaty with his Majesty, &c.*



These are to certifie all and every man or Woman, City or Countrey, whom it doth or may concerne) that there is speedily to be (or never like to be) a personall Treaty with his Majesty, upon these conditions following.

First, if his Majesty will be most ungraciously pleased to be perjured, in breaking all the Oaths, and Protestations which he tooke at his Coronation, and that as he hath sworne to defend and maintaine the true Protestant Religion which he found was (and is) established here in his Kingdome of *England*, and hath flourished gloriously these 90. yeares since the happy restauration of it, and it is well knowne that it hath bene graciously Crown'd with blessings from Heaven, and honoured with venerable regard and reverence through all Nations: now if the King will but grant to signe, or set his hand (against his owne soule) to extirpate and utterly destroy this ancient Protestant Church, and established Doctrine and Discipline, and withall to allow all other Sects and Heresies to be in free use and practise in all his Majestyes Dominions; then perhaps (with a grant or two more) we may be promised once againe to have a Personall Treaty.

Secondly if the King will be madly pleased to sweare never to be trusted with the Militia, Forts, Navy, Ports, or with his owne Wife, or education or mariage of his owne Children, or that he never shall presume to entertaine any Servant, or bestow place or honour upon any man without leave of his Masters, or privy Counsellors, or Officers, as Sheriffs and Lieutenants of Shires, or shipping busineses, or any other busineses or matters of validity; if his Majesty will doe so much as to signe, consent, and set his hand to these small trifling toyes, he

shall be Reinthroned in pompe, and esteemed as the most glorious shadow of Majesty that ever was gullified, and the onely obedient Journeyman King, that was ever crowned since the worlds Creation.

Thirdly, if his Majesty will be pleased to remember to forget himselfe, so much as to sweare, sign, and seale to an act of everlasting oblivion, that all the unspeakable injuries which this blessed Parliament hath done to his Majesties Person, the Queene, the Prince, Duke of Yorke, &c and all the intollerable wrongs and oppressions, which the Peeres, Gentry, and people have grievously suffered under may never be thought upon, that the expence of 100 millions of Treasure may never be accounted for; that Bishopricks and Church Lands, with all other sequesterations, imbezellings, offices, and place of profits, now being in the possession of any Parliament man, or Soldier, who hath courageously withstood, opposed, and fought against the King; that all such profits and priviledges may still be assured to remaine to the now possessors hands, and their Heirs for ever; and that it shall be no lesse then Parliament high Treason, for the King or any of his true Subjects ever to seeke, request or desire satisfaction, or looke to have their owne againe; and further that his Majesty is required to declare the Parliament and Army to be guiltlesse and innocent of all the blood which hath been shed in these unnaturall wars, and likewise that his Majesty shall be pleased to justify all their actions and outrageous mischiefs, which hath beene done and committed against himselfe, his Crowne, Kingdomes and people and withall it is to be desired that the King would be so kinde as to lay all the guilt of his owne, and his Subjects miseries and oppressions upon himselfe, and his Loyall servants: If these things may be granted, wee may looke for a Personall Treaty, and then his Majesty may be Reinstated to command no body, and possesse as much as comes to nothing.

These are the brieve summes, piths, marrowbones and marrowes of the three Propositions, which his Majesty is desired to assent unto before a Personall Treaty can be granted.

Upon these or the like triviall and petty Propositions, wee  
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are as far from having a Treaty as ever wee were. The Parliament laies the fault in the army, the army taxes the Parliament, and both parties throw the blame upon the King : and verily, in truth and indeed his Majesty is so stiffe and obstinate, that neither the afflictions that he hath suffered unjustly by Traitors, or the hazard of any practises and damnable attempts against his sacred person or precious life, nor the regaining of his Royall estate and Monarchicall Crownes and dignities, the enjoynments of his deere and most vertuous consort, (the Queene) his hopefull progeny, or any, or all things under heaven, be they either Earths glories, or calamities, can neither lift his unmovable minde higher, or deject him lower, or move him from his true Christian principles and resolutions. Therefore the Parliament do know that their Propositions to his Majesty are but vaine and frivolous, to no other purpose but to delay time, to uphold their tottering tyrannicall power and greatnesse, and to delude the people, with a hope of a personall Treaty, when (God knowes that they know) they never meant or intend any such matter.

And now the holy Army (being big with the last Bastard, and monster of Rebellion) with a greedy desire of longing for Colchester Oysters, their inexcusable saint-ships have laine before it neere 2 months, yet cannot agree about the price : the very cheapning and offerings, with biddings and refusings, hath cost so much on both sides, that they will never be drawne to a bargain with a good will : for what the Army have a greedy minde to have, the men of Colchester have an extreame desire to hold ; and because both parties cannot agree, like as the Dog that was hangd in the Crab-tree could never abide verjuice after, so the blessed Martiallists, or (as they are stiled) the Princes of our Nation, have no stomacke or appetite to the Oysters, but with raging madnesse and with voracity they are determined to devour and swallow the whole Towne it selfe, with all thats in it.

And to let the Reader understand, by what title or interest of inheritance these *Fairfaxian* soldiers are to be esteemed and honoured as Princes, and the least or meanest of them hath as

great a share in the Principality as the Le Generall, Col. *Whaley*, or any of the greatest Commanders amongst them. Their pedigrees and rights were declared on Sunday last, the 23. of this instant July; in the Savoy Church and Pulpit, one M. *Lee* did proclaime them all (or preach them every mothers childe) to be Princes in this maner.

Beloved, I will not trouble your eares with ambiguous and intricate tearmes of Heraldry; I need not search much for Genealogies concerning the dignity of those who are so much honoured, as to be the soldiers and champions of Heaven, and to fight the Lords battels against the wicked. You know (deare Brethren) who it is that only is, and only must and will be the King of Kings: this King of Kings, you know is God Almighty, and we know also, that all the faithfull are the Sons of God, and in that point, they (being sons to the King of Kings) are all Princes. This was the effect of M. *Lee*'s proofs for Princes.

Now it is to be considered, that if these Princes were the sons of God they would never put any trust or confidence in the Diuell, or in any Soothsayers, divinations of Witches, Wizzards, or Figure-flingers, as they have done lately, when they sent for *Lilly* and *Booker* from London into Essex, to erect a Figure, and by their Astrologically judgements, to direct and foretell whether it would be fortunate to the Army to attempt to storm the Towne of Colchester. The Wizzards had them, Goe on and prosper; and they went on, but above 1000 never came off again: so that the cunning men sneakt away for shame and safety; in whose praise these following verses were dutifully pend.

**N**OW *Booker* what's become of all thy fictions?  
 And *Lilly* where's th' effect of thy predictions?  
 Tattling Prognosticks, configurating scemes  
 Which Fooles believe, and wise men hold as dreaemes:  
 You are not so familiar with the starres  
 To know from them th' events of Peace or warres:  
 Though your braines travaile through the Zodiack,  
 And from the twelve signes steale an Almanack,  
 Whereas you talk'd with Saturne at the Ram,

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And he told you strange newes from Amsterdam;  
 Great Jupiter in Taurus, and the Twinnes  
 Told you which side is loſer, which ſide winnes  
 Mars at the Crab, and Lvon told you plaine  
 How long King Charles ſhould ſuffer, and Knaves Raigne:  
 In Virgo, and in Libra, you met Sol,  
 And thence you brought rare newes of Tom and Noll:  
 Venus, in Scorpio, and in Sagitarie  
 Inform'd you who the victory ſhould carry:  
 And Mer'cry (having beene in Capricorne)  
 With nimble legges was to Aquarius borne,  
 He told you more then all you could deviſe,  
 From Mercury comes all our weekly lyes:  
 In Piſces you found Luna, and ſhe gave ye  
 Her Wavering Portents of Englands Navy;  
 Thus in the circles of the Round head Spheares  
 You ſaw the Major and the Minor Beares:  
 The Sunnes illuſtrious Annall courſe Diurnall,  
 And Clotha's eight and twenty dayes Nocturnall:  
 Caput Draconis, and the Dragons Rump, ———— Taile  
 Cornuted Vulcan with his limping ſtumpe:  
 To know Twelve ſignes, are ſoure Triplicities  
 Hath made you famous with felicities:  
 You (by the Planets motions) found out plaine  
 That many Knaves ſhould ride in Charles his wayne,  
 And that the Guerdon of their juſt deſerts  
 Will mount them up hill in Gregorian Carts;  
 Theſe things you knew and many more then theſe  
 By ſqueezing of your Ephemerides:  
 I ave read Mirandula, and Guy Bonatus,  
 You know when to deject, or elevate us,  
 By Regimontanus Rules and learn'd Pontanus,  
 You know when Fate will either cure or bane us,  
 And by inſtructions from brave Claudius Mariot  
 I ave as much ſkill as Grays-Inne eating Mariot.  
 I dare not call y' Impoſturs, for you know  
 When mens Beards and Nails too long do grow,

*You know the times (your judgement never fails)  
When 'tis best cutting Cornes, or Beards, or Nayles,  
Your judgements are beyond all mens opinions,  
For seasons to set Garlick, Leekes, or Onions.*

Thus the pious Princely Saints in seeking to you, have approved themselves to be both blinde and dumbe; for the Prophet *Ezekiell* 12. 2. saith, that *Rebells have neither Eyes nor Eares*; or else they would never have forsaken the cleare, resplendent head of light, truth, and knowledge, to groape after the tayle of false Prophets, *Eesai*. 9. 14. 15. there the lying Prophet is truly called the tayle.

These famous Astronomicall Star-gazers might perceive (without the use of a *Jacobs* staffe) that the *Star* of *Jacob*, (Numb. 24. 17.) was not their guide, nor yet that *Star* which guided the wise men from the East, was any director of this brace of sophisticated Sophies, (or *Magies*) to shew them the way from *London* Eastward towards *Colchester*; no it may be conjectured that some *Ignis fatuus*, or a *fire-drake*, some *William* with a *wispe*, or some Glowworm illumination did enlighten, and guide them and their fancies towards the East; but they were glad to steale back againe into the West, without the help of so much as the snuffe of a farthing candle.

As concerning the great B shoves of the perpetuall grand Counsell; alas their hands are full (and their heads too) charity begins at home, and their owne sifeties is enough for them to looke after: They sit close every day hammering new projects, designs, and plots, for the keeping of the King from his Rights, and the people f. d. their peace and happines; the truth is, there were never any men more unwilling to see their King, or to feele the pulse and vigour of the Law; but as an Eele being cut in pieces alive, and every piece will stir and wriggle on the gridiron a broyling, so (though these men are in sundry parts divided into Factions and fractions) yet they will struggle to the last cast; for common reason tells us, that a Rebells hath no more minde to be harged, then he hath to have a Personall Treaty with his Majesty; both which good God (in thy mercy and justice) be graciously pleased to grant.

For news, I know no certainty, but it is reported that the footpost of *Purney* is dead, and one of the Church wardens of *Knightsbridge* is deceased, and also that *Mr. Byfields* Mare at *Fulham* hath lately changed her life; those three places are voyd, either for man or beast, the supply whereof is fit for the consideration of a Close Committee.



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